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December 17, 2014

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Dear Ms. Amarante:

Enclosed is a copy of your acceptable plans of correction for the survey conducted on **November 13, 2014**. Please post this document in a prominent place in your facility.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Pamela M. Cota, RN".

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R190 SS=D	V. RESIDENT CARE AND HOME SERVICES  5.12.b.(4)  The results of the criminal record and adult abuse registry checks for all staff.  This REQUIREMENT is not met as evidenced by:  Based on record review and staff interview, the home failed to retain on file criminal and abuse registry background screenings for one of five employees in the sample. This was confirmed by the Business Manager at 3:00 PM on 11/13/14.	R190	All personal files have been reviewed for compliance.  An updated new-hire and rehire checklist will be developed.	12.1.14 12.13.14
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